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Republican National Convention.
1876.

The next Union Republican National Convention for the nomination of candidates for President at

The city of Cincinnati, on Wednesday, the 11th day of June, 1876, at 12 o'clock noon, and will consist of delegates from each State equal to twice the number of electors in the electoral college, and of two delegates from each organized Territory and the district of Columbia.

For the purpose of the election of delegates, the committee of the several States are recommended to invite all Republican electors, and ask their voters, without regard to past political differences, to confer with them, and to vote for the delegates proposed to reviving sectional issues, and desiring to promote friendly feeling and permanent harmonious relations between the States, and to maintain and enforce all the constitutional rights of the people, and to bring the full and free exercise of the right of suffrage to its full participation and without fraud; who are in favor of the maintenance of the Union, and the preservation of all official disunity, and an economical administration of the Government by honest, faithful and efficient officers, and who are in favor of the best reforms in government as experience may from time

it of the nation by depreciating any of its obligations and in favor of sustaining in every way the national faith and financial honor; who hold that the common-school system is the nursery of American liberty, and should be maintained absolutely free from sectarian control; who believe that, for the promotion of the ends, the direction of the Government should continue to be confided to those who adhere to the principles of 1776, and support them as incorporated in the Constitution and the laws; and who are in favor of recognizing and strengthening the fundamental

principle of National Unity in this Centennial Anniversary of the birth of the Republic.
E. D. MORGAN, *Chairman*,
WM. E. CHANDLER, *Secretary*,
REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE.
Washington, January 13, 1876.

Dirty Business.
The disclosures respecting the traffic in

post-traderships are about as discreditable as they can be. At the best, parties have made it a business of dealing out those posts and have made a good profit at it. The Democratic papers are making an effort to implicate the President in the dirty business simply on the evidence of those who were led

thing connected with this disgraceful state of affairs is that there has always been some body who has deluded these not over conscientious traders into the belief that there was somebody in Washington who must be mollified by the payment of a sum of money. It

ever unfortunate the President has been in his family relations and associates, no candid man will attribute to him anything more than a confident confidence in men entirely unworthy of it. That brother Orville is a very bad lot. The President knows it and has guarded against him. He has, however, been deceived

by parties and has given out that he could be useful. The man who has done the President the greatest harm is Babcock. He may have been the purest of men but if he is he is unfortunate. He has magnified his position too much with his tongue. He has made himself conspicuous. He has held conversations

tion with disreputable men. This may be because he is like Postmaster Gen. Jewell, a subaltern who was "too unanimous," too ready to attend to everybody's business.

Doubtless these post-tradership frauds have been exaggerated. Men who have been fleeced and turned out are not likely to

the thing fairly. Besides we are inclined to believe that high-minded men as a rule do not seek these positions. But enough has been seen to show that rascality has been practiced.

We have no excuse for any person who has been engaged in the disgraceful business.

Let every one—particularly every Republican—official implicated in it—be punished; let them be dragged to the light. Doubtless a large number of Democratic sinners will come forth at this exposition of rascals. Belknap and Pendleton are paired, Oakes Ames and Congressman Brooks were equally guilty in the Civil War.

The trouble is there is a disposition to throw mud at every public man. Bristow is charged as though he were a Billings.

is in the interest of the thieves. They will be clear if good men are slandered, simply because the public will become disgusted and believe the charges against those who are really guilty, to be slanders.

THE *Arms* refers to Dr. Abde's letter

Mr. Lawrence, commending the edition of Wheaton's International Law, and accusing Mr. Dana of literary piracy, but dishonestly omits to mention that Dr. Abdy gave this opinion after hearing but one side of the case, and that he subsequently wrote to Mr. Dana withdrawing his unjust judgment, confessing

that he had not examined into the merits of the controversy and that he gave his opinion chiefly out of personal friendship for Mr. Lawrence. The reason for the Democratic opposition to Mr. Dana is that Mr. Lawrence's edition commends itself to them on account of its advanced Calhounism, For

that reason the work was condemned by the State department and withdrawn from our consulates, the government not choosing to endorse a book which maintained that secession was justifiable under the constitution.

by the House committees will do well to read the opinion of Mr. David A. Wells, Democratic candidate for Congress on the subject. Mr. Wells says: "All the money that Congress will save in the whole of the present session by reducing appropriations will not amount to as much as the labor and capital

of the country loses during every week—and we think we might say every day—during the continuance of the present industrial paralysis; which, in turn, is the result of the present fiscal policy." And yet the Democrats take no steps to advance the resumption of specie payments.

If it should turn out, too, as is pretty generally suspected, that this neat arrangement for quashing the impeachment and indictment of Belknap was resorted to to prevent developments implicating several distinguished Democratic leaders—among them Pendleton, Chandler and Ellsberg, this would be a

ridiculous fiasco of proceedings of such solemn import, inaugurated with such a pompous parade of virtuous indignation, will be far more damaging to the Democratic party than the Belknap developments can be to the Republicans.

A MAJORITY of the House have in effect voted against resumption. But eleven Republicans recorded themselves for inflation. Although 98 Democrats did not hesitate to do so, against the repeal 62 Republicans and 3 Democrats voted. The Democrats by a vote of more than two to one have declared

soft money. One New England Democrat, Phelps of Connecticut, is found in the ranks of the worshippers of the rag-baby.

THE bill introduced by Senator Thurman amendatory of the bankrupt act provides that no transfer or voluntary assignment made by a debtor heretofore or hereafter in

pod faith for the benefit of all his creditors according to their respective rights and without preference, and valid according to the laws of the state, shall, in the event of his being subsequently adjudicated bankrupt, be a bar to the discharge of such debtors.

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